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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

Commissioner for Patents MS Amendment P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final official action dated May 10, 2006, please consider the remarks set forth herein, beginning at page 2 of this paper.

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.121(c), a complete listing of the existing claims is not required (or presented herein) because no changes are being made to the claims, no claims are being canceled, and no claims are being added.